

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 21 with the following:

Figs. 11, 12 are ~~diagramm~~ diagrammatic views in perspective of various possibilities for setting and securing a mount of the actuating means; and

Figs. 13a to 13c illustrate some of the various examples of safety means that require manual intervention prior to permitting decoupling of the building closure device.

Please insert the following section heading at page 11, line 23:

--Detailed Description of the Invention--;

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 24, and ending on page 11, line 32 with the following amended paragraph:

Referring now to Fig. 1, there is illustrated a building closure operator in the form of a jack-shaft operator 2 including an emergency release device 4. The jack-shaft operator 2 has an electric motor 6 accommodated in a motor housing 7 and a gearing 9 accommodated in a transmission case 8. The motor housing 7 and the transmission case 8 form a single unit. The gearing 9 comprises a self-locking worm gear (not shown) and directs the rotational force of the electric motor 6 to a driven shaft 10. Connectable to the driven shaft 10 is a door shaft or drive tube (~~not shown~~) 10a geared to a door leaf (~~likewise not shown~~) 10b for vertical movement (~~indicated as line "D"~~) at least in part of door 10c relative to door jamb 10d. A portion of the building 10e is serviced by the door 10c.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 21, as follows:

The safety or securing means 24 secures the pull handle 22 in thus preventing the emergency release device 4 as a whole from being actuated unintentionally or unauthorized. It features a securing member in the form of a cap screw 58, by means of which the pull handle 22 can be locked in the normal operating position of the emergency release device 4. This is done preferably by a tool 59 (shown in Fig. 1), such as a wrench in this case, being necessary to release the cap screw 58.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 17, line 15, as follows:

Referring now to Figs. 11 and 12, there are illustrated the various options of setting the fastening element 40 and supporting element 41, ~~Fig~~ Fig. 11 showing a left-hand mounting

option and Fig. 12 a right-hand mounting option. In addition, Figs. 13a, 13b and 13c respectively show some different types of manual intervention that must be neutralized prior to activating the decoupling means. For example, Fig. 13a shows a wire seal 588 used instead of screw 58. The wire seal 588 must be broken before the decoupling means can be activated. Fig. 13b shows a case 589 having a glass front 590 that has to be broken before accessing the decoupling means. Finally, Fig. 13c illustrates a lock 591 that requires a key 592 to be inserted into the lock 591 to unlock the lock before actuating the decoupling means.